



# Hitting Challenge 2003



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# THE CONTRACT

## Team Registration \$3,300 per team



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### Registration Includes:

- 9-member team, plus 3 alternates for the tournament  
*(Participants must be 18 years of age or older.)*
- Once-in-a-lifetime chance to hit at Jacobs Field
- One-hour pre-game batting practice in the Jacobs Field batting cages
- Each player will receive a commemorative gift

The tournament is limited to 16 teams.

## GAME SCHEDULE\*

**Round 1 (Teams 1-8)**  
Friday, June 6, 2003  
(Rain Date: Tuesday, June 17, 2003)

**Round 1 (Teams 9-16)**  
Friday, June 20, 2003  
(Rain Date: Tuesday, July 29, 2003)

**Round 2**  
Friday, August 1, 2003  
(Rain Date: Tuesday, Sept. 2, 2003)

**Semi-Finals and Finals**  
Friday, Sept. 5, 2003  
(Rain Date: Tuesday, Sept. 9, 2003)

\* All games will be played in the afternoon.  
Dates & Times subject to change.

### Special Events

**Home Run Derby**  
Sunday, August 17

**Champion's Game**  
Tuesday, Sept. 23

# GROUND RULES



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The Pepsi Corporate Hitting Challenge will consist of 16 teams competing to score the most "hits" off of a pitching machine during a single-elimination tournament.



Each player on the 9-person roster will get 10 swings off of a pitching machine set between 60 and 70 mph. Players are encouraged to bring their favorite bat. Helmets and baseballs are provided.



Official scorer will determine outs (0 points), hits (1 point) and home runs (3 points). All missed swings and foul balls will be considered "outs."



The team accumulating the most points will advance to the next round.

## THE PITCH

### Hear Your Name Announced

Players' names are announced over the Jacobs Field sound system.

### Video of Your Team

Each team will receive a VHS tape of their team's action on the field.



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### Cheering Section

Friends and family are welcome to attend all tournament games and watch from the stands.

### Pre-Game Champion's Ceremony

The finalists will be recognized during a pre-game ceremony at Jacobs Field, with the winning captain throwing out the ceremonial first pitch.

# Pepsi Hitting Challenge 2003



Company/Team Name \_\_\_\_\_

Team Captain \_\_\_\_\_

(Contact Person) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

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### Round One Preference

(Requests will be filled on first come, first served basis)

- Round 1 - Friday, June 6, 2003  
 Round 1 - Friday, June 20, 2003

Teams will be notified of the date of their Round 1 Game.

### Payment Options

Check (Payable to: Cleveland Indians Charities)

Master Card

Preferred credit card of  
the Cleveland Indians

VISA

AMEX

Discover

Card Number \_\_\_\_\_

Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name on card \_\_\_\_\_

Please send an invoice

### RETURN TO:

Cleveland Indians Charities  
2401 Ontario Street  
Cleveland, OH 44115

# NEW FOR 2003!

## Home Run Derby

**Sunday, August 17** - Each team will select one batter to represent the team during a Home Run hitting competition held at Jacobs Field following the Indians game.



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## Tournament Champion's Baseball Game

**Tuesday, Sept. 23** - The Champion of the Pepsi Corporate Hitting Challenge will randomly draw the name of another hitting challenge team. Those two teams will play a 7-inning baseball game at Jacobs Field.

## Contests and Prizes

This year, all teams will be eligible to win prizes, even if they do not advance to the final round. Prizes will be awarded for the following contests:

- **Game MVP**  
(Individual most points)
- **Round MVP**  
(Individual most points)
- **Round Most Homeruns**  
(Individual)
- **Round Most Hits**  
(Individual)
- **Round Most Hits**  
(Team)
- **Tournament MVP**  
(Individual most points)
- **Tournament Most Hits**  
(Team)
- **Tournament Most Homeruns** (Team)
- **Tournament Most Homeruns** (Individual)
- **"Good Guys Award"**  
(Lowest team score in a game)

## Tournament Web Site

This year, teams participating in the tournament will be able to track their progress throughout the tournament. Photos from each round will be posted, as well as the winners of the contests. Visit the Community Section on [Indians.com](http://Indians.com) for tournament highlights!



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**Cleveland Indians Charities** (CIC), the charitable arm of the Cleveland Indians, was established in 1989 to make a positive contribution to the quality of life for Northeast Ohio youth by providing educational and recreational opportunities.

The monies donated by CIC have been raised through a variety of fund-raising events. In addition, a significant major portion of the total was raised through the generosity of Cleveland Indians players, coaches, front office, and corporate partners.



In 2002, for the eighth straight year, CIC donated \$100,000 to the Cleveland Municipal School District's Athletic Department. The \$100,000 donation will help defray the cost of its high school baseball and softball programs.

CIC also made significant donations to the following organizations in 2002: the Boys & Girls Clubs of Cleveland (\$118,000); the United Black Fund of Greater Cleveland (\$60,000) for the operation of the Larry Doby RBI (Reviving Baseball in Inner Cities) Program; the Cleveland Baseball Federation (\$75,000); and the City of Cleveland Division of Recreation (\$45,000) for operation of the Rookie League Youth Baseball Program and a girls softball program.

Since 1989, CIC has donated more than \$4 million to local organizations that serve the youth of Northeast Ohio. The Cleveland Indians organization and its players have a unique opportunity to make a positive impact on the youth of Northeast Ohio. It is an opportunity and responsibility we embrace.

